

**Listening & Reading**

**ANSWER SHEET**

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36	LENGTHY				
37	EXCESSIVE				
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39	ADDRESSING				
40	ALLOTMENT				

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1	ESTABLISHED	21	UNFLATTERING
2	APPOINTED	22	PERCEPTION
3	DEMAND	23	IRREPAIRABLY
4	RESPONSE	24	JUSTIFY
5	APPRECIATE	25	OVERREACTED
6	NOTIFIED	26	UNBLEMISHED
7	MEMBERSHIP	27	RELATIVELY
8	COVER	28	ARGUABLE
9	HORS D'OEUVRES	29	MISCONDUCT
10	AVAILABLE	30	DISCLOSE

11	QUIET
12	TIDY
13	BREAK
14	SNOW
15	DRY
16	JUMPS
17	TAKE
18	SURELY
19	PARCEL
20	ENDS

31	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
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TASK 1.

The science fiction writer, Frederic Prown, is credited to write the shortest story in the world in 1948, which he called "Knock". The story was this: "The last man on Earth sat ~~alone~~<sup>alone</sup> in a room. There was a knock on the door." The story ~~paved~~<sup>paved</sup> the way to a new fashion of writing very short stories. In 1987, the editor of Steve Moss started a competition, which he called 55 Fiction. In order to enter the competition, a literary work has to meet a few criteria, such as the presence of a setting, a conflict, and a resolution, having at least one character and not exceeding the 55 word ~~limit~~<sup>count</sup>. For anyone interested, the competition is still run annually.

By 1999 Moss had accumulated enough works to publish a selection of his favourites, The World's Shortest Stories of Love and Death. The book includes all sorts of short stories, from comical (such as "In the Garden" by Hope A. Torres) to philosophical (for instance "Gratitude" by Andrew J. Hunt), and some of them even deal with social issues (see "Higher Education" by Robert <sup>Ray</sup> Bast). The reader experiences the entire spectrum of emotions. ~~Some evoke mirth~~ For example, "In the Garden" evokes mirth, while "Gratitude" encourages one to re-consider their priorities.

I was thoroughly engrossed in the book. Each story left me wondering what the author wished to impart in it. The great variety of themes only adds up to the impression, and the alternation between laughter and deep thinking is what kept me on the edge of my seat.

Allow me to recommend ~~you~~ some of my favourites to you. I find "The Search" by Robert Tompkins the most enticing. The plot twist left me ~~amaze~~ contemplating what truly can be called truth. My close-second favourite is "Higher Education" by R. Bast, which I consider to be ~~at~~ a convincing call for change.

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In conclusion, if you ask me, The World's Shortest Stories of Love and Death is an essential read for everyone.

TASK 2.

The last man on Earth sat alone in a room. There was a drum on the door.

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